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Four Fire Prevention Education Teams are continuing to assist Oregon field units with staffing and supplying information portals and stations at key locations across the Solar Eclipse Path of Totality. Significant wildfire activity has caused highway and area closures over some of Oregon's mountain passes with smoke impact to several communities

Affirmation of minimized human-cause fire starts during the Eclipse event weekend has been attributed to the PNW's Fire Prevention Education Team effort on the daily Eclipse Coordination call among the Oregon field units supporting Emergency Operation Centers, Joint Information Centers, etc. Agency representatives acknowledged the broad scale fire prevention effort visibly in place, and its profound impact.

All teams are participating in local eclipse safety meetings at their assigned duty stations.

Additional Spanish translation products, including audio and video PSA's specific to Evacuation Levels have been produced and posted for IMT use on the InciWeb home page.

Additional social media messages were generated to support the robust Solar Eclipse-themed fire prevention campaign.

**Northeast Oregon FPET, Team Leader April Phillips and Stacey Grimes, Trainee:**

As visitors continue to depart from campgrounds, gathering sites and large Eclipse-themed venues, prevention education team members continue to provide information and contacts at portal sites. Overall assessment is that visitors were prepared, informed about fire restrictions, and were thankful for the information stops with an opportunity to learn more. Sheriff and Ranger District Staff were pleased with the organization, 'orderly, busy and manageable' crowds. The team has received 'tons of positive comments'.

**Central Oregon FPET, Team Leader Judy Reese:**

Team members reported extreme delays in returning to duty stations due to traffic congestion. The post-Eclipse exit lines in Central Oregon were estimated to be 30-50 miles long, and reported as a massive “rolling parking lot”. The team reported great success and contact numbers at all locations. The largest event, hosting over 70,000 people, will not conclude for a few more days. Ongoing issues are expected with congestion, wildfire risk and associated law enforcement issues, such as abandoned vehicles, vehicle assists and medical emergencies, including smoke-related health issues from area wildfires. A great number of event participants are expected to use public lands and roads for their individual exit strategies.

**Northwest Oregon FPET, Team Leader Cindy Frenzel:**

Team members provided information and education support to the North Santiam, Mary’s Peak and Quartzville Corridor areas. More information to come when internet and cell phone access stabilizes.

**The Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Agency, Team Leader Jeff Moyer:**

Team reports that it is ‘nice and calm now, except for traffic’! The reservation has experienced no new fires, but has seen increased motor vehicle accidents associated with the volume of Eclipse visitors. The prevention education team, along with Smokey Bear, sponsored a prevention booth at a NASA Program for Youth from 13 Tribes including a project to launch and track giant weather balloons containing sensors and carrying culturally significant items. This was the largest effort involving Native American tribes during the eclipse. The program’s goal is to bring STEM-related (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) topics to students in culturally relevant ways.

**Challenges** for all teams have included cell phone and internet connectivity, and interoperability among various systems, such as building and gate access, key cards, etc. Secure lodging for the duration of the eclipse influx is also a dynamic we are navigating.

Daily Reports are being produced and circulated from the Teams to collaborators and interested parties within their assigned area(s) of operation. Due to internet access and functionality as well as team workload and field capacity demands, we anticipate these will be intermittent over the next several days. As they become available, we will compile and post those at the following ftp site link:

[ftp.nifc.gov/incident\\_specific\\_data/pacific\\_nw/!SORO/Prevention/!Eclipse\\_Specific\\_Info/DAILY\\_REPORTS/](ftp.nifc.gov/incident_specific_data/pacific_nw/!SORO/Prevention/!Eclipse_Specific_Info/DAILY_REPORTS/)

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